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TAGS: PFOR, US, EG

SUBJECT: MESSAGE FOR PRESIDENT SADAT AND FAHMY

FOR AMBASSADOR FROM SECRETARY

1. PLEASE CONTACT FAHMY AND TELL HIM FOR PRESIDENT SADAT AND HIS INFORMATION THAT I SHALL BE GOING TO VAIL, COLORADO TOMORROW TO SPEND THE WEEKEND MEETING WITH PRESIDENT FORD FOR A THOROUGH REVIEW OF THE MIDDLE EAST NEGOTIATIONS. I NOW BELIEVE IT WILL THEREFORE BE NECESSARY TO DELAY MY DEPARTURE FOR THE MIDDLE EAST BY ONE DAY, UNTIL WEDNESDAY NIGHT AUGUST 20, WHICH IN TURN WOULD DELAY MY ARRIVAL IN ALEXANDRIA UNTIL FRIDAY EVENING, AUGUST 22.

2. WITH RESPECT TO THE STATUS OF OUR TALKS WITH THE ISRAELIS, YOU CAN ALSO TELL THEM THAT HOSKINSON HAS RETURNED FROM HIS ON THE GROUND INSPECTION OF THE SINAI PASSES AND, IN LIGHT OF HIS REPORT TO ME, WE ARE TALKING TO THE ISRAELIS

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ABOUT THE LOCATION OF THE LINE AS DRAWN ON THE ISRAELI

MAP. MEANWHILE, WE HAVE NOT INFORMED THE ISRAELIS OF THE EGYPTIAN FALLBACK POSITION WITH RESPECT TO THE EARLY WARNING STATION AT UMM KHUSHAIB, WHICH WE WANT TO SAVE FOR FURTHER CONCESSIONS FROM ISRAEL.

3. WITH RESPECT TO MY TRIP, OUR PRESENT THINKING IS TO ANNOUNCE IT FROM COLORADO ON SUNDAY AFTER THE ISRAELIS HAVE HAD THEIR WEEKLY CABINET MEETING.

4. FOLLOWING IS PROPOSED TEXT OF OUR ANNOUNCEMENT. I WOULD WELCOME ANY COMMENTS OR SUGGESTIONS FAHMY MAY HAVE. YOU CAN TELL HIM THAT WE ARE GETTING IN TOUCH WITH PRESIDENT ASAD, KING HUSSEIN, AND KING KHALID AND PRINCE FAHD TO SEE IF THEY WOULD AGREE TO VISITS AT SOME POINT DURING SHUTTLE.

BEGIN TEXT OF ANNOUNCEMENT: BEGIN QUOTE. SECRETARY KISSINGER WILL TRAVEL TO THE MIDDLE EAST NEXT WEEK, LEAVING WASHINGTON ON AUGUST 20. THE DISCUSSIONS WE HAVE BEEN CONDUCTING WITH ISRAEL AND EGYPT LOOKING TOWARD A FURTHER INTERIM AGREEMENT HAVE PROGRESSED TO THE POINT WHERE THE PARTIES BELIEVE, AND THE SECRETARY AGREES, THAT IT WOULD BE USEFUL FOR HIM TO TRAVEL TO THE AREA IN AN EFFORT TO BRING THE NEGOTIATIONS TO A SUCCESSFUL CONCLUSION. IN ADDITION TO VISITING ISRAEL AND EGYPT, THE SECRETARY IS IN TOUCH WITH CERTAIN OTHER GOVERNMENTS IN THE AREA ABOUT THE POSSIBILITY OF VISITS TO THEIR CAPITALS. END QUOTE. SISC

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